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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 3495.0010-24

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Marc ALIZON et al.) Group Art Unit: 1637
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Application Ser. No.: 08/475,822) Examiner: Jeffrey Norman Fredman
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Filed: June 7, 1995)

For: CLONED DNA SEQUENCES RELATED TO THE GENOMIC RNA OF
LYMPHADENOPATHY-ASSOCIATED VIRUS (LAV) AND PROTEINS
ENCODED BY SAID LAV GENOMIC RNA

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of May 22, 2002. The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

1. Petition for Extension of Time (1 page).
2. Amendment and Response to Paper No. 26 (10 pages) with Tables 1-6 (16 pages total). The claims are calculated below:
3. A copy of the original claims in Interference No. 102,822 (3 pages).

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	12	-	24	0	x \$ 18	\$ -0-
Indep.	6	-	12	0	x \$ 84	\$ -0-
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Subtotal						\$ -0-
Reduction by 1/2 if small entity						- -0-
TOTAL						\$ -0-

4. No additional claims fees are due as a result of this amendment.

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5. A check for \$110 for one-month extension fee is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO PAPER NO. 26

In response to the Office Action dated May 22, 2002 (Paper No. 26), applicants submit the following amendments and remarks. Please amend this application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 11-18 and add the following new claims:

-- 35. (NEW) An *in vitro* diagnostic method for detecting the presence or absence of nucleic acid of a Human Immunodeficiency Virus Type 1 (HIV-1) in a biological sample comprising:

(a) contacting said biological sample with one or more nucleic acid probes comprising

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